

Data Source Documentation

Indicator	Health insurance during past 12 months
Demographic Group	Residents of Wisconsin households
Numerator	The number of people in the Family Health Survey (FHS) sample who were reported to have health insurance coverage for all 12 months prior to the survey interview.
Denominator	The total number of Wisconsin residents in the FHS sample. The “(N)” rows indicate the sample sizes.
Details about Data Item	<p>Starting in 2002, the survey asked a series of questions about current health insurance and whether each covered person had been enrolled for less than 12 months or more than 12 months. People who had been enrolled for 12 months or more in any type of public or private coverage constitute the numerator for these tables.</p> <p>In the 2000 and 2001 surveys, a single question was asked about insurance coverage over the past 12 months. People who had been continuously insured for the 12 months prior to the interview constitute the numerator for these tables.</p> <p>Insurance coverage was not reported for about 1% of all cases.</p> <p>In the tables, the 95% confidence interval (the “+/-” columns) indicates the range in which 95 of 100 identical surveys would estimate the percent insured for 12 months. Add the confidence interval to the estimated percent to find the high boundary, and subtract it to find the low boundary. Smaller numbers of cases in the denominator produce larger confidence intervals.</p>
Other Data Information	<p>Family Health Survey data are weighted to account for disproportionate sampling rates in the sample strata, varying response rates, and number of telephones in each sampled household. The percentages reported in these tables are based on weighted data. Results are considered to be representative of the Wisconsin population living in households with working telephones.</p> <p>The Pacific Islander, Other, and no response race/ethnicity groups are excluded from these tables. They constitute 2% of the total sample. The race/ethnicity tables include “rolling averages” for the time periods 2000-2001, 2001-2002 and 2002-2003, combining years of data to yield a minimum of 100 cases per group.</p>
Reference Time Period	FHS interviews are conducted during a minimum of eight, and a maximum of 12, months each year. “The past 12 months” is a time period that varies with the month during which the interview was conducted. It is always the 12-month period immediately preceding the survey interview.

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Data Source	<p>Wisconsin Family Health Survey (FHS), Bureau of Health Information and Policy, Division of Public Health, Wisconsin Department of Health and Family Services.</p> <p>The FHS is an ongoing random-sample telephone survey of Wisconsin households, collecting information about health status, chronic conditions, health care and health insurance coverage. The adult household member most knowledgeable about the health of all household members answers the survey questions. A minimum of 2,400 households are interviewed each year, yielding information on more than 6,000 Wisconsin residents. Further information is available at:</p> <p>http://dhfs.wisconsin.gov/stats/familyhealthsurvey.htm</p>
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